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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BEVERLY BEAM,
Plaintiff

v.

SCOTT DOWNEY,
ROGER MORRISON,
DAVID GRAYBILL AND
MICHAEL SWEGER,
Defendants

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CIVIL ACTION NO.: 1:CV-01-0083

(Judge McClure)✓

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**DEFENDANT ROGER MORRISON'S MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS' FEES AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES**

AND NOW, comes Defendant, Roger Morrison (hereinafter "Morrison"), by and through his attorneys, Mette, Evans & Woodside, and hereby moves this Court for an Order awarding attorneys' fees and associated expenses pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1988 and/or the inherent power of the Court to award sanctions (See Chambers v. Nasco, Inc., 501 U.S. 32, 41-2 (1991)), for the successful defense of the present §1983 federal civil rights action with accompanying state law claims, and in support of which he avers as follows:

1. Plaintiff filed a Complaint on or about January 16, 2001, alleging both federal and state law claims.

2. On or about March 16, 2001, Defendant Morrison filed a Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6).

3. By Order dated April 10, 2002, Morrison's Motion to Dismiss was granted pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6) by the Honorable James F. McClure, Jr.

4. On or about April 16, 2002, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Appeal.

5. Defendant Morrison is entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and associated expenses pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1988 and/or the inherent power of the Court to award sanctions for having successfully defended the meritless claims which Plaintiff brought and/or pursued against him in bad faith.

6. The approximate amount of the attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by Defendant Morrison to date, not including those fees that will be incurred by Morrison to defend the appeal filed by Plaintiff on or about April 16, 2002, is \$13,660.07, which is comprised of attorneys fees in the amount of \$11,516.00, and non taxable expenses in the amount of \$2,144.07.

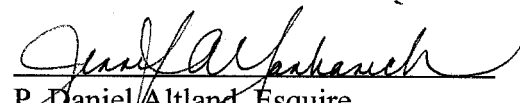
7. The grounds for this Motion will be set forth with more particularity in the Memorandum of Law, and the affidavits and documentation, that will be filed in support of this Motion in accordance with this Court's schedule for filing same.

WHEREFORE, Defendant Roger Morrison respectfully moves this Court for an award of attorneys' fees and costs in the amount of \$13,660.07.

Respectfully submitted,

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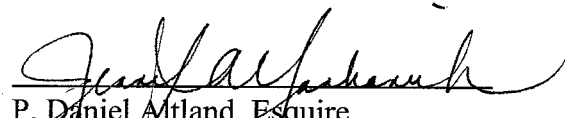
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CERTIFICATE OF CONCURRENCE AND NONCONCURRENCE

I certify that Steven J. Schiffman, Esquire and Stephen S. Russell, Esquire concur in the within Motion and that I sought the concurrence of Don Bailey, Esquire but, having left a message and received no response, I must assume that it was not given.

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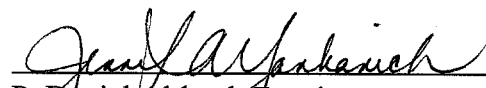
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